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## **Au Sable Harbor, MI**

### **Harbor Features**

- Located on the west shore of Lake Huron, 8 miles north of Au Sable Point on northeast side of Saginaw Bay.
- Authorization: River & Harbor Act of 2 Mar 1945.
- Shallow draft recreational harbor.
- Project depth of 10 and 12 feet.
- Approximately 3,000 feet of maintained Federal channel.
- More than 2,000 feet of maintained piers.
- Dredged material is placed along the beach as beach nourishment.
- Major stakeholders include Michigan DNR and Oscoda Fellow Marina.

### **Project Needs**

- Requires periodic maintenance dredging on a five to ten year cycle of approximately 40,000 cubic yards; the harbor was last dredged in 2008.
- Condition surveys and periodic maintenance of the structures by Government floating plant.

### **Consequences of Not Maintaining the Project**

- Loss of jobs locally.
- Loss of recreational and charter fishing in the area.



### **Transportation Importance**

- This project serves as an important Harbor of Refuge and supports charter fishing and recreational navigation interests.
- The local community has established a significant infrastructure around the harbor facilities that generates income from harbor users and visitors to the area.

**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Fiscal Year (FY) 2008, 2009 and 2010  
Au Sable Harbor, MI - Project Needs and President's Budget (\$1,000)**

<b>Work Package</b>	<b>FY08 Need</b>	<b>FY08 Allocation</b>	<b>FY09 Need</b>	<b>FY09 President's Budget</b>	<b>FY10 Need</b>	<b>FY10 Budget*</b>
Project Condition Surveys	18		36		40	
Maintenance Dredging – Primary Work Package	196	98	200		210	
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>214</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>236</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>250</b>	

\*FY10 President's Budget will be available in February 2009.

**Congressional Interests**

- Representative Bart Stupak D-MI-1
- Senator Carl Levin D-MI
- Senator Debbie Stabenow D-MI